

THE LATE MR. D. H. MORRISON.

INQUIRY HELD TO-DAY.

At the Magistracy this morning, Mr. J. R. Wood, as Coroner, held an inquiry touching the death of Mr. D. H. Morrison, whose body was found in Connaught Road, West, on the night of the 14th inst.

The following were the jury: Messrs J. A. Barradas, T. A. Coliaco, and C. G. da Silva.

Dr. Henry Parker deposed that on the 15th inst. he saw the body of a European, which was identified by Mr. James as that of Mr. D. H. Morrison. He held a post-mortem examination of the body. The cause of death was a fractured skull. The injuries were solely confined to the skull. The brain was spilled. It must have been done with powerful force. The deceased had heart and kidney disease but he would not say that these could be the cause of death. He sent the stomach to the government analyst to examine whether the deceased had previously taken any alcohol.

Mr. E. R. Dovey, the Analyst, said that at 1.40 p.m., on the 15th inst. he received a stomach sealed. He examined it and found that it contained half a dram of alcohol.

Mr. F. W. Tame, superintendent engineer of Messrs Barrfield and Swire, said he last saw deceased alive on the 12th inst. The deceased was then the third engineer of the s.s. "Hupeh." On the 13th inst., deceased was transferred to the s.s. "Kweichow" and was then under the influence of drink. On the morning of the 15th, he saw the body of deceased at the mortuary.

Mr. H. R. Jassop, late third engineer of the s.s. "Kweichow" said he last saw the deceased at the public bar of the Hongkong Hotel at 8 p.m. on the 14th.

Mr. Baylis, superintendent of the Sailors Home said he first saw deceased at the Home on the 13th at about 4 p.m. He gave his name to the No. 1 "boy" and accompanied him, and after putting down his luggage he left in a hurry and said he intended to stay there for three weeks or a month.

Sergeant Clark said that at about 10.30 p.m. on the 14th, while he was at No. 7 Station he received a telephone message intimating that the body of a European was found lying in Connaught Road West. He went and saw that it was turned face downwards, and was lying with head to the west and the feet to the east. The deceased's brains were lying nine feet away. He was of the opinion that the deceased was knocked down by a motor car. Inspector Macdonald was present. Witness left and in the company of Chinese detectives he went to the garage and enquired, but nothing was admitted.

Inspector Macdonald said he found the deceased's skull fractured when he saw the body. The coat was torn at the back along the shoulders, and there was dust all over. The body was then still warm. He went to the Tai Ping Theatre and telephoned to the Central Station. The body was later removed first to No. 7 Station and then to the mortuary.

Mr. James said that as far as his knowledge was concerned, motor cars returning from either Repulse Bay or Deep Water Bay, usually turn out from the vicinity of the hotels and then on to the Praya where the speed of the cars increased, as the road is more spacious.

A Chinese constable said that at 9.30 p.m. on the night in question, he was on duty in Connaught Road West. He did not see anyone lying on the road and did not notice any motor cars pass by.

An Indian constable said he found the body of a European on the road. He blew his whistle and an Inspector arrived.

THE VERDICT.

The verdict was given as follows: "The deceased died in consequence of a fracture of the skull. It seems probable that the injury was caused through the deceased having been knocked down or run over by a motor car at the place where he was found. There is no evidence in that event that the driver was negligent, but it is certain that he neither stopped to render assistance or make a report to the proper authorities. For this reason the driver is guilty of serious misconduct."

TWO ATTEMPTED SUICIDES

A nineteen-year-old Chinese girl living at No. 470 Canton Road, has been sent to the Kwong Wah Hospital suffering from a self-inflicted wound in the throat, caused with a razor. The girl is not seriously hurt and is expected to recover.

Another nineteen-year-old Chinese girl living at 115 Temple Street, attempted to commit suicide by jumping from the Yau-mai Ferry launch "On Yan" at 1.45 p.m., yesterday whilst the launch was in midstream on its way to Hongkong from Yau-mai. The launch was immediately stopped and the girl was fished out and landed in Hongkong none the worse for her wetting. This girl is married and it is believed that domestic troubles were behind her desperate act.

ENTERTAINMENT AT VICTORIA BARRACKS.

On Wednesday afternoon the Officers and ladies of the Royal Artillery were "At Home" to the Married Families of the Regiment stationed in Hongkong, at the Royal Artillery Theatre, Victoria Barracks, on the occasion of the Children's Christmas Tree.

Tea was served at 4.00 p.m. by Wisemans Ltd.

Following the tea, Messrs. Pathe Freres put on a specially selected cinema show which all present thoroughly enjoyed.

About 6.00 p.m. the curtain was removed and a beautiful tree illuminated with numerous coloured lamps, kindly lent by the Hongkong Electric Co. Ltd., was revealed, laden with toys, crackers, etc., by which stood "Father Christmas." The children soon made themselves at home and as Father Christmas called each child by name, Mrs. Loring handed to them their toys together with a bag of sweets.

After the presents were distributed, the Officers present collected all the children and started to strip the tree which in a very short time was robbed of all its glory which had been displayed earlier in the afternoon.

At the close of the entertainment Father Christmas called for three cheers for Col. and Mrs. Loring, Officers and Ladies of the Royal Artillery, to which the children heartily responded, following the cheers by a rousing tiger.

The ladies under Mrs. Loring are to be complimented for their excellent design in the tree decorations. The theatre was dressed with bunting kindly lent by H.M.S. Tamar, the dressing being carried out by Sgt. A. E. Smith and Bomb. F. Shepherd.

Selections were given on the piano by S. M. H. G. Loder R.A.M.C. G.M. During the afternoon the party was visited by H.E. Major General F. Ventris C.B. G.O.C., who always shows a very keen interest on all occasions on which Garrison Entertainments are carried out.

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XMAS HOLIDAYS.

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ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The annual general meeting of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club was held yesterday evening.

The Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr (Captain) presided and was supported by the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Messrs. T. S. Forrest, W. D. Kraft, R. Melville Smith, F. H. Thomas and C. L. Sandes (Hon. Secretary). There was a large attendance of members.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the accounts for the year ending September 30 last have been in your hands for some days now and I will, as usual, take them as read. I think you will agree they show the Club's affairs as being in a prosperous condition, taking into consideration that we compare 12 months' expenditure this year with nine months of 1918, since it was decided to close the latter accounts on September 30, 1918, from which date the present year's accounts commence. The difference in the figures is, of course, also accounted for by the payment of some \$5,000 for the new nine holes of the Relief course. It will be realised that the efficient maintenance and upkeep of the four courses now belonging to the Club will tend to increase, rather than diminish, our expenditure, and I think we may congratulate ourselves on having weathered the terrible years of the war with so comparatively satisfactory results. With regard to the Happy Valley Club-house, destroyed by the fire of 1917, your Committee decided at the beginning of the present year to leave the question of rebuilding in abeyance pending the decision of the Stewards of the Jockey Club to extend the Race-stands further west. In the meantime we desire to place on record our appreciation and thanks for their continued hospitality. There has been no alteration in the Happy Valley course the Deep Water Bay links have been altered to prevent so much crossing, which, owing to increased patronage during the summer months, was becoming a danger to players. For the re-arranging of this course as well as for laying out the new nine holes of our Relief course at Fanling we are again indebted to the wise and comprehensive golf-mind of Mr. T. S. Forrest, whose name will ever be intimately associated not only for his fine play but also for the many services he has rendered to the Club. You were informed last year by the Hon. Mr. David Landale, my predecessor, that Mr. H. W. Looker had kindly offered to build two wings on to the Lady's pavilion at Fanling in memory of his late wife and many happy days spent at Fanling. This work, consisting of two general dressing-rooms and four bedrooms with bath-rooms, has since been completed and is very greatly appreciated by the wives and families of members. On behalf of the Club we tender to Mr. H. W. Looker our grateful thanks. The members' appreciation may be gauged by the fact that all the rooms have been let continuously, for some time to come. It is the intention, with Mr. Looker's approval, to place a brass tablet in the dining-hall of the Lady's pavilion recording his generous presentation to the Club. While on the subject of memorials, it is also intended to erect a tablet in the Club-house at Fanling bearing the names of those gallant members who lost their lives in the great war and who contributed so effectively, together with those who fought and returned to us, in securing to posterity the freedom to enjoy the Royal and Ancient game of Golf in this Colony. It is also intended to issue a list of official competitions, to be played on fixed dates during 1920, for members' information. These will include the Governor's shield, presented by H.E. Sir Reginald Stubbs under conditions recently published; also the Jasper Clarke Challenge cup presented by his wife in memory of her late husband, killed in the war, to be played for on a day that has Scottish traditions, the cup to remain a perpetual Challenge cup and never to be played for by anyone who was of enemy origin during the war. The Committee have accepted Mrs. Jasper Clarke's offer and terms, which will remain on record in the annals of the Club; and will arrange for the cup to be played for on a date as near St. Andrew's Day as convenient, conditions—36 holes on the Championship course of Fanling, medal play at scratch, the Club to present a prize as souvenir and in token of the great respect and esteem in which this late gallant officer was held by all who knew him. The question of balls has been a difficult one owing to the lack of proper material in the manufacturing during the latter months of the war. The Club had a large stock of balls in March last which would have carried us on over Christmas under ordinary circumstances, but the covers were found to split and crack at once on using, and, on reference to the suppliers, we were informed that it had been impossible to procure the usual materials. These balls were obviously of no use to us, and so it was decided to return them, and Messrs. Challenger's and Spalding's have promised to replace their respective makes, but we are still corresponding with the St. Munro Manufacturing Company, the makers of the Colonels, etc., who, we hope, will

treat us in the same considerate way as the first-mentioned firms. We hear of clubs at home similarly situated. Adequate supplies are now on the way, and within a few weeks it is hoped that the situation will be relieved. During the year Messrs. Little, Adams and Wood were asked to submit plans for the re-arrangement of the men's Club-house at Fanling. These plans have now been received, but they practically mean pulling down the present building, except the actual four walls, and erecting a new building at a cost of \$80,000 to \$100,000. It will no doubt be agreed that the present state of the Club's accounts do not admit of so large an ordinary expenditure, more especially as during the coming year a building will have to be erected for the Club steward at Fanling by the end of 1920, when our lease with Mr. Orme for his house falls due. It is absolutely necessary, gentlemen, for the safe custody of our valuable property in the shape of silver, glass, napery, furniture, etc., to have a resident steward at Fanling, and this post, which also includes looking after the links, has so far been filled to the satisfaction of your Committee by Sergeant Kerr with the able assistance of his capable wife. It must be remembered that we have at present an outstanding debenture issue of \$66,000 in addition to an overdraft with our Bankers of \$42,000, and, bright as the prospects of this Club undoubtedly are, I am convinced that it would be most unwise to saddle the Club with a further heavy debt by rebuilding the Club-house at present. We all realise that our Club-house is by no means ideal and leaves a great deal to be desired as regards space and suitable accommodation, both up and down stairs, but I think we can carry on as we are fairly comfortable for a few years longer, and leave the question of re-building over until some future date when the Club's liabilities have been reduced. The question is one for the incoming Committee to deal with, but, unless members are willing to subscribe and present the Club with a new building, I personally do not see how anything can be done in the meantime. With these remarks, I beg to move the adoption of the report and statement of accounts.

Mr. G. C. Moxon seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

The Chairman—I should like to read to you the following correspondence—

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.
Hongkong, June 4, 1919.
To Sir Francis Henry May,
G.C.M.C.,
50, Cadogan Place,
London, S.W.

My dear Sir Henry May.—The Committee of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club have heard with much regret of the news of your recent illness and the consequent necessity for your resigning the Governorship of this Colony.

They desire to place on record in the annals of the Club their deep appreciation of your keen interest and kindly services in its welfare, more especially in the inauguration during your tenure of office of the new Fanling Golf course, which has proved so great a success and, it is considered, will continue to be a source of good in the Colony, and I have the pleasure to inform you it will be the Captain's privilege at the next annual general meeting to propose to the members that you be elected a life-member of the Club.

The Committee desire to tender their hearty congratulations on the further honours which His Majesty the King has been pleased to confer on you, and trust that you may be restored to health at home as well as to long and happy retirement.—Yours sincerely,

(Signed) E. V. D. Parr.
(Captain).

To the Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr,
Captain, H.K. Golf Club.
August 3, 1919.

My dear Parr,—Please accept for yourself and convey to the committee of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club my warm thanks for the expressions of sympathy and congratulation contained in your letter of the 4th of June.

It is a great satisfaction to learn that the small services I was able to render to the Golf Club are so much appreciated that it is proposed to put my name forward as a life-member of the Club.

If this honour is conferred upon me I shall be most proud, and shall remember with added gratefulness the day when I was inveigled by the late lamented Mr. E. A. Hewett and his fellow-conspirators to essay my first game of golf at Fanling.—Believe me, yours sincerely,

F. H. MAY.

The Chairman.—One of the many services referred to was Sir Henry May's advice regarding the urgency for the "top-dressing" of the fairway of the course which we are now benefiting from. Also, as years pass, the trees and shrubs planted on the surrounding hills at his instigation will make Fanling not only, as it is now, one of the grandest, but also one of the most beautiful golf courses in the world. We are glad to hear of Sir Henry's greatly improved health, and I have much pleasure in proposing that he be elected a life-member of the Club.

The Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

A CHRISTMAS POEM.

Though pleasures fall and customs age
And change as seasons roll,
Though peace or war may fill the page
Of life's swift-written scroll,
One song, from heart to heart that springs,
Will ever hold its sway:
In right good cheer its echo rings—
"A Merry Christmas Day!"

Then open, friends, your heart-doors wide,
And hear its notes again,
As fair it flings o'er wind and tide
Its seraph-sweet refrain.
Let care and worry take their flight,
And gloomy strife give way,
Goodwill and fellowship unite—
"A Merry Christmas Day!"

GLADYS JACKSON.

The Chairman: The incoming Secretary will write and tell Sir Henry May what has been done.

Mr. G. S. Archibut proposed: "That no structural alterations be made to the main golf-house building at Fanling without taking the opinion of a general meeting." He said: I am proposing this resolution in view of the fact that further accommodation will undoubtedly be necessary in the near future, and it is best to sound the feeling of the members with regard to the suitability or otherwise of the existing accommodation and the possibility of its being improved and altered.

Mr. F. A. Wells, seconding, stated that he would also ask the Committee to make some statement as to when a new club-house was to be built at Happy Valley, as the present arrangements were uncomfortable.

The Chairman replied that the Committee had not thought it advisable to go to the expense of putting up a pavilion at Happy Valley until the Jockey Club intended to extend the race-stands further west, for otherwise, a pavilion, if built, would have to come down. He was quite sure that any incoming Committee would never make any alterations to the club-house at Fanling without reference to a general meeting.

The resolution was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

The election of office-bearers next took place.

Mr. G. M. Young was elected Captain and applause.

The Chairman: The thanks of the Club are due to Messrs. J. de B. Lancaster, P. P. J. Wodehouse, C. L. Sandes and J. W. Franks, who have carried out the onerous duties of Honorary Secretary during the year. Mr. Sandes handed over to Mr. Franks as he expected to leave for home this month, and as Mr. Franks is also now leaving and Mr. Sandes remaining till March, I beg to propose Mr. Sandes be elected as Hon. Secretary pending the election of Mr. Greenhill, who has kindly volunteered to take over the duties in January.

Mr. C. L. Sandes was unanimously elected as Hon. Secretary.

When the election of the Committee was to take place Mr. Hallifax stated that the Club had reached a stage when it was desirable to have an enlarged Committee, and, if he had been in time, he would have moved a resolution to alter the rules accordingly. At present the Committee were entitled by the articles to add to their number. A sub-committee was looking after the course at Deep Water Bay, but they were co-opted members who had no vote on the Committee. That did not give a proper sense of responsibility and he was very much in favour of an enlarged Committee, from which a series of sub-committees could be appointed to take charge of the various links, and look into the smaller details of expenditure with a view to saving money.

Mr. T. Hill supported the idea, and suggested that the names of the sub-committees be posted at the Club-house so that any member having a grievance might know whom to go to.

The Chairman replied that he was sure the incoming Committee would consider the suggestions. He also mentioned that Messrs. Dodwell and Forrest were shortly leaving the Colony for home and would not be able to stand for election on the Committee.

Mr. Dodwell had been a member of the Committee for six years, for two of which he had the honour of being Captain of the Club, and had given them the benefit of his wise judgment and sound advice.

Mr. A. Ritchie, also, had resigned the Committee during the year. The Club had to thank him for many valuable services rendered; and also Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin for his services at Deep Water Bay. He was sure they would all join him in wishing them good luck and happy days on the Home links.

The following Committee was elected:—Messrs. F. H. Thomas, E. J. Grist, W. D. Kraft, T. Hill, R. Melville Smith and the Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr. Mr. Hallifax, though pressed, declined to offer himself for reelection on the ground that he could not devote the necessary time to the duties.

On the proposition of Mr. Young, seconded by the Chairman, Mr. T. S. Forrest was appointed a life-member of the Club in acknowledgment of his services.

After expressing thanks to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., for the use of the room, and to the Chairman the meeting dispersed.

ALLEGED "MOTOR BANDITS."

INTERESTING EVIDENCE.

The three alleged "motor bandits," Lu Sui Ping, Ng Wai and Chuen Sing, who were charged with (1) armed robbery at No. 40, Des Voeux Road, on November 26 and theft of \$5,700; (2) murder of P. C. 605, Lang Pui; (3) murder of Lau Cho; (4) murder of Wu Cheuk; (5) shooting with intent to kill P. C. 882 Kheer Din; (6) shooting with intent to kill P. C. 48, Li Kang Yau; (7) shooting with intent to kill L. S. Alls, Alexander Clark; and (8) wounding with intent to kill P. C. 48, Li Kang Yau, were again before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Leo Longinotte, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, whilst the prisoners were unrepresented by counsel.

Inspector Macdonald said that at 1.50 p.m., on November 25th, he was sitting in the verandah of his quarters at No. 7 Police Station when he saw motor-car 261 draw up and stop near the station. The driver shouted out something in broken English, like the word "Men." Witness went out and saw the driver, who appeared to be somewhat excited. Through the interpreter, witness understood the chauffeur to say that there was a robbery near the Kowloon Theatre and that the robbers were there still. Witness called out the detectives and Sergeant Payne who was in the charge-room. Witness also instructed the telephone clerk to warn the various police stations.

Witness next got into the car with the other detectives and ordered the chauffeur to take him to the scene of the robbery. Witness was taken to No. 60, Des Voeux Road West, where he found the shop in disorder. He asked the men where the robbers were, and the men in the shop replied the robbers had gone away. Sergeant Clark informed witness that the chauffeur had told him that the robbers had gone by way of Holland Street. This was telephoned to Central. Witness got into the car once more, and told the driver to take him back to No. 7 station. When the station was reached, all the men in it were ordered to turn out and proceed to Belcher's Street as he was of opinion at the time that the robbers had gone to the brothels. Witness wanted to surround the locality. The driver took witness and some detectives to Collinson Street, where, he said, the robbers had left the car. Witness waited there for some time. The principal Chinese detective, who arrived at the place by tram car, gave certain information to witness who proceeded to Sam Street. After posting the Police at different points, witness went into a Chinese godown and telephoned the information which he had received to Central. While witness was leaving the godown, Sergeant Clark came running up to him and told him of his encounter with the robber in Smithfield Street.

Witness accompanied Clark to a tea-house in Catchick Street and Clark pointed out the place where the robbers were. Witness stood on guard at the door and ordered the policemen to surround the whole block of buildings. Witness next entered the house with some detectives, searched it and found nobody there. Witness then left the place and went to Belcher's Street where he met Sergeant Field with the third prisoner in his custody. In Jubilee Street witness met Sergeant Hodge who was leading the second prisoner. When witness first entered the motor-car, he discovered a small rattan basket on the floor of the car. He also found a cap and a handkerchief. He found in different parts of the car several cartridges of different calibre; some were empty.

L. Sergeant Alexander Clark stated that on November 25th, at about 2 p.m., he was at No. 7 Station when he was informed by Inspector Macdonald that an armed robbery had taken place at No. 40, Des Voeux Road West. Witness went to the place by ricksha and met Inspector Macdonald and a party of Police. He also saw the car, which had been used by the robbers, standing outside the shop. The witness informed the Inspector accordingly, and after going back to No. 7 Police Station, they went to the searchlight at Collinson Street where they alighted from the motor-car. Witness next proceeded to Catchick Street with the Chief Chinese Detective, who suggested searching the tea-house. Witness was placed on guard at the bottom of the stairs while the rest went up.

Mr. Wood: Was it by chance that your party went to the tea-house?

Witness: Yes.

Continuing, witness said that about two minutes after he had kept guard he heard several shots being fired on the first floor. Witness was armed and he took up a position at the bottom of the stairs. He saw two men rushing down the stairs firing their revolvers. Witness immediately drew his revolver and fired one shot at the man who was leading who happened to be the third prisoner. This man was at the time at the foot of the stairs. The man appeared to witness to collapse. Witness knocked him on the head with the revolver, and the revolver flew out of witness's hand. During that time the second prisoner was shooting at witness point blank, and witness retreated to the opposite side of the road, where there

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. H. Percy Smith returned to Hongkong per the s.s. "Glenapp."

There will be a special programme at the Hongkong Theatre during the holidays, details of which will be found in our advertising columns. A feature will be the presentation of toys and sweets to children during the matinee performances.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals acknowledges with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals.—Mr. J. R. Wood \$10; Chinese Congregational Church \$20, Mr. F. P. Allen \$25, Mr. Lo Chung Kwei \$20.

The enterprising Management of the Carlton Hotel is sparing no pains to make Christmas as enjoyable as possible. The Hotel will be suitably decorated and on Christmas night a special menu will be served. There will be music during dinner and the menu itself will be artistically arranged and will form a memento of what will undoubtedly be a most enjoyable Christmas for the guests.

In the Summary Court this morning a Portuguese, named A. Lopes, employed in the F.W.D., appeared to answer a claim made by the Man Hing Loon Fung Furnishing Company. It appeared that the man had been adjudicated bankrupt and afterwards furnished his house from the complainants in his wife's name, Mr. Lloyd, the Official Receiver, said the man was paying monthly instalments. Judgment was given for the amount claimed and instalments will be arranged by the Official Receiver and Mr. J. H. Gardiner, who represents the plaintiffs.

were some verandah pillars. The second prisoner followed witness into the street and fired two shots at him. Both the prisoners then ran in the direction of Smithfield Street. Witness returned to the tea-house for his revolver but could not find it at the time. He next saw some Chinese constables join in the chase after the robbers. Witness obtained the assistance of Inspector Macdonald and party, who were in Belcher's Street, and surrounded the tea-house, which was searched. No other robbers were found there. A few minutes later Sergeant Field and a Chinese detective came with the third prisoner, who was under arrest. When the robbers were firing at witness in the tea-house, he felt a pain in his thigh. He examined his thigh later on and found a bruise, which, Dr. McKenny said, was caused by a shot.

Sergeant Field stated that, hearing the blasts of a police-whistle, he went to Belcher's Street and saw the first prisoner in the custody of the Chief Chinese Detective. He asked the detective where the other robbers were and the latter pointed towards Smithfield Street. After making enquiries, witness rushed on to Jubilee Road, and from there to the hillside behind the Tung Wah Hospital. He then saw the third prisoner crawling along a nullah. Witness ran up to the man and was about eight or ten yards away from him when third prisoner took cover behind a rock and opened fire. Witness knelt down and returned the fire. The prisoner fired four rounds, witness fired five. The fourth round that the witness fired apparently struck the prisoner's hand as his revolver fell down. Witness's fifth round struck the prisoner on the right hip. Prisoner then held up his hands. Witness went up to him and arrested him. A seven chambered revolver was lying by the prisoner's side, containing four empty cartridges. The prisoner's pockets were searched and \$57 in notes was found on him. The prisoner also had eight live cartridges.

Third prisoner: All the shots I fired were not directed at anybody?—Witness: I cannot say where the bullets fired by him went. He had his hand over the rock and pointed the revolver at me.

Third prisoner: My intention was to frighten him.

Sergeant Hedge said that he proceeded to the hillside, east of the Tung Wah Hospital, with Sergeant Field. Witness went to one side of a nullah and Sergeant Field to the other. Witness saw one of the robbers in the nullah. The man pointed a revolver and opened fire. Field returned the fire. Witness's automatic pistol became jammed and refused to work. After the man was taken under arrest, witness proceeded to Jubilee Road. He saw the second prisoner running towards the fore-shore. Witness followed the man who ran to the Swedish Trading Co.'s building. He then heard some shots being fired from a bush. Witness remained near the place, and shortly afterwards he saw the robber leaving the bush and running into a building which was an old cook-house. Witness followed him and saw the robber hide, holding a revolver in each hand. Witness covered him with the automatic pistol, which was then working, and the prisoner threw down his two revolvers and kicked them behind some old matting.

Corroborative evidence was given by other witnesses.

The hearing was adjourned.

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SPORTS.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

A "Mixed Foursome" Competition will be held on the Relief Course at Fanling on Friday the 26 Dec. (Boxing Day) under handicap. Entrance Fee \$2 each couple. Post Entries. Prizes will be provided out of the Entrance fees.

CRICKET.

C.S.C.C. 2ND XI V. C.R.C. 2ND XI.

The following will represent the C.S.C.C. 2nd XI V. C.R.C. 2nd XI at Causeway Bay on Saturday next at 2.15 p.m. W. Hill (Capt.), H. E. Strange, F. S. Burden, G. P. Knight, S. E. Alderman, R. T. Taylor, E. T. Crocker, D. Lyon, F. Bacon, G. H. Haskett and H. W. Sandford.

L.R.C. v. UNIVERSITY.

The following will represent the L.R.C. against the University on the former's ground on Thursday, commencing at 10.30 a.m.—A. el Arculli, (Captain), G. C. Earle, S. A. Ismail, S. D. Ismail, S. H. Ismail, A. A. Rumjahn, A. G. Sufiad, A. R. Madar, S. Mqosdeen, N. M. Bux and A. N. Othar.

The following XI will represent the Navy in the cricket match against the Garrison on 29th and 30th December, commencing at 11 a.m. each day.—Paymaster Lieut. C. G. Robinson (Captain), (Tamar), Paymaster Lieut. Commr. A. S. Holburn (Tamar), Rev. F. G. B. Hastings (Tamar), Surgeon Commander F. H. Holl, (Alacrity), Lieutenant L. D. Jones, (Alacrity), Lieutenant F. J. Lambert, (Carlisle), Lieutenant A. H. S. Casswell, (Carlisle), Lieutenant Commr. A. B. Greig, (Ambrose), Lieutenant E. H. Dolphin, (Ambrose), Lieutenant I. B. Franks, (Sandpiper), Mr. E. G. Kennet, (H.M. Dockyard). Approximately the same team will play against the H.K.C.C. on 1st and 2nd January.

A Chinese, the driver of motor car A102, was this morning charged before Mr. R. O. Hutchison with the reckless driving of the vehicle at the junction of Shantung and Shanghai Streets, Mongkok, yesterday. He is alleged to have collided with, and injured a child, and smashed two rickshas. Inspector Gerard informed his Worship that in attempting to avoid the child, the car not only knocked it down, but ran into two rickshas, smashing them to match-wood. The child who was sent to the hospital is happily not seriously injured and will be able to attend court on Monday. His Worship remanded the case until then, fixing bail in the sum of \$250.

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ON BEING ABSENT-
MINDED.

What is really the best story of absent-mindedness, asks a writer in the *Morning Post*. Is it possible that there is any better story than that of the absent minded person, who was jogging along the road into Shoreham, and on coming to Old Shoreham Bridge, where tolls must be paid, said to the gate keeper: "What is to pay?" "Pay, sir? What for?" said the man with the tickets. "Why, for my horse, to be sure." "What horse, sir? There is no horse, sir." "No horse? God bless me!" said the dear old gentleman, piously, as he looked down between his legs: "I thought I was on horse back."

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Hongkong Bank	...	\$545 b.
Malaya Insurance	...	
Canton Ins.	...	\$390 b.
North China Ins.	...	\$170 a.
Union Ins.	...	\$185 a.
Yangtze Ins.	...	\$900 a.
Far Eastern	...	7/23 n.
Fire Insurance.		
China Fire Ins.	...	\$185 n.
Hongkong Fire Ins.	...	\$350 a.
Shipping.		
Douglas	...	\$90 n.
H.K. Steamboat	...	\$82 n.
Indo-China (Prov.)	...	\$90 n.
Do (Del.)	...	\$35 n.
Shanghai	...	\$310 a.
Star Line	...	\$80 a.
Railways.		
China Sugar	...	\$298 b.
Malayan Sugar	...	\$40 b.
Mining.		
Kallian Mining Adm.	...	90/ b.
Langkat	...	
Shanghai Loans	...	T. 14 b.
Shai Explorations	...	
Rancho	...	\$3 a.
Tromps Mines	...	48/ b.
Ural Caspian	...	60/ n.
DOCK, WHARF, GODOWN, &c.		
H. & K. Wharf	...	\$90 b.
H. & W. Dock	...	\$174 a.
Shai Dock	...	\$118 a.
New Engineering	...	\$37 n.
H.K. Wharf	...	\$100
H.K. Dock	...	\$70 b.
LAND, HOUSE & BUILDING.		
Central Estates	...	\$109 1/2 a.
Hongkong Hotels	...	\$110 a.
Hampshire	...	\$8 b.
Kowloon Lands	...	\$50 b.
Land Reclamations	...	\$140 a.
West Point	...	\$89 b.
COMMODITIES.		
Evo Cottons	...	\$800 b.
Kung Yik	...	\$851 b.
Leop Kung Mow	...	\$300 n.
Oriental	...	\$300 n.
Shanghai Cottons	...	\$350 b.
Yangtze	...	\$32 n.
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Cement	...	\$6.80 b.
China-Borneo	...	\$115 b.
China Lights Old 7/20 & New 8/20 b	...	
China-Siam	...	\$75 a.
Daily News	...	\$83 b.
H.K. Electric	...	\$83 b.
Macao	...	\$84 n.
Hongkong Ropes	...	\$23 a.
H.K. Tramways	...	\$7.70 a.
Peak Tramways (Old)	...	\$7 a.
Do (New)	...	\$8 1/2 a.
Steel Laminates	...	\$8 1/2 a.
H.K. Steel Foundry	...	\$10 n.
Water-works	...	\$12 b.
Watsons	...	\$5 a.
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INCIDENT IN THE NEW TERRITORY.

GRAVE ACCUSATION AGAINST POLICE.

Sitting as Coroner at the Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon, Mr. R. O. Hutchison conducted an enquiry touching the circumstances of the death of a Chinese named, Ho Sze Pai, who died as the result of injuries received on the 10th inst. at Chuen Wan, New Territory.

Mr. H. L. Denny, J. represented the relatives of the deceased.

The following composed the jury:—Messrs. H. E. Hayward, R. C. da Silva and M. A. Simoes.

It appeared that on the 10th inst. while some coolies were engaged in carrying some bags of rice to a ship some 30 to 40 coolies met them and a fight occurred, and as a consequence, the bags of rice were stolen. Some time after the Police appeared on the scene, and to them was pointed out a man who was said to be one of those who had stolen the rice. He was taken to the station. Later he was taken back to his house, being accompanied by Sergeant Macdonald the officer in charge of Chuen Wan Station and a *lukong*. At his door, the Sergeant is alleged to have struck and kicked the man, in the presence of the villagers.

A man living at Chuen Wan said that on the 10th inst. at 11.30 a.m. while he was returning to the village from Mok Hin Ha on the main road, he saw the deceased in the custody of a *lukong*, followed by a European Sergeant. They stopped at deceased's house. The door was locked. While they were waiting for it to be opened, he saw the deceased being struck on the head by the European Sergeant with a stick. He saw him also kicked in the stomach. The deceased fell on the ground and cried out repeatedly "Dying, dying." The door was opened and the deceased was dragged into the house.

A woman also living at Chuen Wan said she was grinding corn in her house when she saw the deceased in the custody of the Police. She went out and followed. She saw the European Sergeant strike the deceased on the head with a stick and kick him on the lower part of the body. The deceased was then seen lying on the ground and later dragged into the house. She did not know what took place in the house as she, being afraid of the Sergeant, returned home.

A foki of a wine distiller's shop said he was accompanying some coolies carrying bags of rice from Mok Hin Ha. On the way to the shop, a fight ensued. As a result of the fight all the bags were stolen, and witness went back to the shop and reported it to the master. He saw the deceased brought to the station, but he did not know what took place in the house as he did not know the Sergeant.

Dr. James Thornton Smalley, Medical Officer of Kowloon and New Territories, deposed that, on the 11th inst. at about noon, he saw the body of a Chinese male at the Mortuary. The man was about 28 years of age, and was identified as Ho Sze Pai by his brother, in the presence of the Police. He examined the body and found on the outer side of the left thigh about the middle two-thirds of a linear nature about three or four inches apart. There was one bruise on the back of each eye. The skull was intact, and there was no sign of a bruise on the scalp. There was an enlarged spleen, about 5 inches long. A tear about 4 inches long was on the outer surface of the spleen. The cause of death was rupture of the spleen.

He formed the opinion that the bruises on deceased's left thigh might have been caused by blows with a stick, or by a common fall. Replying to Mr. Denny's witness said that if the deceased was kicked there would be signs.

The enquiry was remanded until this afternoon.

A Chinese detective attached to the Chuen Wan Station stated that at 11.15 a.m. on the 10th inst. he went with the European Sergeant and other Police together with the rice owner to Mok Hin Ha. On the way, they met a man, who told them that some of the rice, that was stolen was in deceased's house in Ho Pin village. When they reached there, they saw the deceased standing in the road. As soon as they were seen, deceased with another man away. They climbed over a fence, but the deceased fell backwards, and the other escaped. Witness ran up and arrested deceased. He asked deceased where he was running to and he said that he was going to a friend to get his keys. The deceased was then brought to the station, and later he was brought back to his house. The door was kicked open by the Sergeant. Asked where the rice was deceased said it was in a cubicle. The Sergeant and the rice owner went in and the latter identified the rice. The deceased who lay on a bed vomited rice and was carried to the station on a board. The bags of rice were also brought to the station. No one had struck the deceased when he was on the way to his house. At the station the deceased died.

Sergeant Macdonald said he went with the constables and the rice owner to the village named. The deceased was seen on the road, and he ran with another, when they

CANTON BILLIARDS.

The final game in the Masonic Club billiard handicap was played on Monday evening last, in the presence of a large number of members and friends.

The players were C. E. Watson (minus 125) and R. J. Chard (minus 50).

From the commencement of the game Watson was in excellent form, and played a very consistent game throughout, although when the scores were read Watson 193, Chard 120, the latter was not disposed to allow Watson have matters all his own way, until nearing the 200 mark, when the scores read Watson 193, Chard 196. Neatly compiled breaks of 21 and 18 by Watson gave him the advantage, which was responded to by Chard with breaks of 10, (twice) and 16, the scores then reading Watson 243, Chard 241. A lucky six shot followed by a cannon by Watson gave him the victory by the narrow margin of nine points.

At the conclusion of the game, Wor. Bro. C. H. Reid, vice-President of the Club in presenting the prizes, said it gave him great pleasure to perform the duty. He referred to the sportsmanship displayed throughout the handicap by all competitors. Knowing Wor. Bro. Watson as a good and genuine sportsman he congratulated him on his win and had pleasure in presenting him with the Cup, given by Bro. J. H. Oxberry, of Kowloon.

In asking Bro. Chard to accept the Cup presented by the Club for the runner-up, it gave the speaker further pleasure in performing the duty. Wor. Bro. Watson responded on behalf of Bro. Chard and himself expressing thanks for the magnificent Cup, which would be given a prominent place among his trophies at Tungshan, and thanked Wor. Bro. Reid for his very kind remarks.

Before members dispersed, a toast was proposed by Bro. Rogers in honour of Bro. A. Martin, Honorary Secretary of the Club, who had that day reached his half century of years but one. The toast was cordially responded to.

The European constable, P.C. Lavender, who was sentenced to a month's imprisonment for refusing duty, was released to-day and goes home by the "Empress of Russia" to-morrow.

On Christmas Day, Father Christmas is going to pay a visit to the Victoria Theatre, where all good children will get delectable presents. The vestibule has been transformed into fairyland with long rows of presents for little folks. There will be a raffle at one o'clock on Christmas Day, and it is not likely that parents will miss this splendid opportunity of taking their children to the Victoria to participate in the fun. The distribution of presents has always been a feature of Christmas-festivities at this Theatre, and this year the presents are more numerous and much superior than these of last year. At 4.30 there will be screened "A Dog's Life," a comic picture without a peer, with that inimitable laughter-maker Charlie Chaplin at the zenith of his fame. At night on that day there will be present that capital picture "Bishop's Emeralds."

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The N.Y.K. *S.S. Sado Maru* (European Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 20th Dec. and is expected here on the 24th Dec.

The N.Y.K. *S.S. Kure Maru* (Calcutta Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji on the 21st Dec. and is expected here on the 24th Dec.

The C.O.S. *S.S. R.M.S. Empress of Japan* sailed from Hongkong on the 19th Nov. and arrived at Vancouver on the 10th Dec.

Latest Advice.

The N.Y.K. *S.S. Tenryo Maru* (Bombay Line) left Moji for this port on the 20th Dec. and is expected here on the 24th Dec.

The N.Y.K. *S.S. Toyo Maru No. 2* (Calcutta Line) left Singapore for this port on the 19th Dec. and is expected here on the 24th Dec.

The G.P.O.S. *S.S. S.S. Melville* left Singapore Dec. 19, and is due at Hongkong on Dec. 27.

The P.M.S. *S.S. S.S. Ecuador* left Shanghai on Dec. 19, for Manila, and may be expected at this port on or about December 23.

were approaching. The deceased was arrested when he unsuccessfully tried to climb over a fence. The other man was chased by the Indian constable and a *lukong*, but he was lost sight of. When the deceased was brought to his house, the door of which was locked, he forced it open. In a room he saw the bags of rice. The deceased looked very sick and he was removed to the station where a doctor was sent for. The deceased died before reaching the station. He did not assault the deceased.

The jury returned the following verdict:—We find that death was due to a ruptured spleen which according to the medical evidence was not necessarily caused by violence. We consider that the evidence is not convincing enough to show that any violence was used by the Police.

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CHURCH SERVICES.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.

Christmas Day, December 25.

Holy Communion at 8.15 a.m.

Morning Prayer at 11 a.m.

Opening Voluntary: Responses, Festal.

Yecite, Crotch—As Set, Psalm.

Special—XIV—Monk, LXXXV.

Turle, (omitting XLV): Te Deum.

St. Jude; Benedictus, Barnaby.

Kyrie, Mendelssohn. Hymns, 83, 84, 88, 87.

Vesper Hymn.

God Save the King.

Union Church, Kennedy Road.

Christmas Day, December 25.

Morning Service, 10.30 a.m.

Christmas Hymns.

Preacher: Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.

St. Peter's Church, West Point.

Friday, December 25.

8 a.m.—Holy Communion.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon.

Preacher: Rev. G. T. Waldegrave.

Peak Church.

3.15 a.m.—Holy Communion.

8.30 Evening Service.

The Gospel Hall.

10 & 12 PRINCE STREET.

Weekly Service—Sunday: Breaking of Bread for Believers only, 11 a.m.

Gospel Meeting, 8 p.m.

Bible study, Tuesday, 8.30 p.m. and Thursday, 8 p.m.

Friday, Ladies' Bible study, 8.30 p.m.

Saturday, Prayer Meeting, 6 p.m.

First Church of Christ Scientist, Macdonnell Road.

Sundays, 11 a.m.

Wednesdays, 5.30 p.m.

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wanchoi.

Morning Service, 10.15 a.m.

Evening Service, 8.15 p.m.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Arsenal Street.

Sunday Evening, Gospel Meeting, 8 p.m.

St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road.

Mass and Sermon at 10 a.m. followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Roman Catholic Cathedral, Glenelly.

Mass at 8, 9 and 8.30 a.m.

High Mass at 8 a.m.

8.30 p.m.—Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

LIST OF PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

December 23.

Per s.s. *Tenryo Maru*—Mr. Stok.

Mr. J. P. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Hagemeyer, Mr. A. M. C. J. Van Exter, Mrs. W. Frank, Mr. Lumsden, Mr. W. J. P.

Busnel, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. C. Buysman, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. R. Bogaers, Mr. and Mrs. Lumsden, Mr. Forquiss, Mr. W. F. Longwell, Dr. M. A. de Kock, Mr. W. Joseph, Mr. Kampman, Mr. F. C. Focken, Mr. W. Simmer, and Mr. Ernest Jones.

DEPARTED.

December 24.

Per s.s. *Tenryo Maru*—Mr. F. G. Swift, Capt. E. W. Litchford, Mr. G. H. Fraser, Mr. A. P. Ames, Mr. D. Poli, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Don, Mr. and Mrs. W. Gray, Mr. S. R. Balmer, Mr. E. L. Atkinson, Mrs. Richard, Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. Kaufeldt, Mr. S. Lack, Mr. Richards, Mr. S. J. Deeks, Mr. H. Thomas, Mr. A. Rantenschweiler, Mr. J. C. Nathan, Miss Burton, Miss Day, Mrs. Clayton, Mr. Farmer, Mr. S. W. Crawford, Mr. Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Gabriel, Mr. E. Ornstein, Mr. H. R. Andrus, Mr. S. Sabery, Mr. E. P. Steel, Miss N. Wicks, Miss S. E. MacNomm, Miss Laidlaw, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Dickins, Mr. D. McIntosh, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Lee, Miss Bloomfield, Miss D. Ritchie, Mr. and Mrs. R. Norbury, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Burton, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Alhum, Messrs. D. Fitzgerald, A. King, J. H. Buckley, J. W. Long, W. T. Christmas, L. A. Wieler, E. L. Crockett, J. C. White, V. Paulsen, Wm. V. C. Kaufeldt, F. McBean, H. P. Huot, and W. C. McCracken.

ARRIVALS.

December 24.

TOYOTA MARU, Jap., 1,488 tons, from Moji. Capt. Nakatsu, Carroll Bros. Wharf.

PAKHOL, Brit., 1,227 tons, from Haiphong. Capt. Martin, B. & S. OIT.

YINGCHOW, Brit., 1,216 tons, from Shanghai and Swatow. Capt. Simmon, B. & S. OIT.

KWEILIN, Brit., 1,073 tons, from Wuhu, Capt. Dowell, B. & S. OIT.

CLEARANCES.

December 24.

BOURBON, French, 11 a.m., for Hongkong, Thai Thuan Co.

KANU, Maru, Jap., 8 a.m., for Takao, Yawatahiko.

TANGO MARU, Jap., 11 a.m., for Milbo via Manila, N.Y.K.

BOHMIN, Brit., 8 p.m., for London via Singapore, &c. &c.

POST OFFICE.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

The Post Office will be open on Thursday, the 23rd and Friday, the 24th December from 8 a.m. to noon and on Saturday the 25th from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. There will be one collection and one delivery of ordinary correspondence each day as on Sunday.

There will be a delivery of Registered correspondence at 8 a.m. on the 25th, 26th and 27th Dec.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays.

The District Post Office will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and from 9 p.m. to 6 p.m. with the exception of Kowloon Office which will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. only.

There will be one delivery from all District Offices at noon.

The s.s. "Nam Kam" caught fire on the 15th instant on her way from Haiphong to Pakhoi and Haiphong. This vessel left Hongkong on the 13th instant and took 10 bags and 2 baskets of mail for Pakhoi and 40 bags and 2 baskets of mail for Haiphong. Of those mails 23 bags and 2 baskets were lost in the fire.

A draft exchange of Money Orders with the Republic of China will come into operation on and after the 1st January, 1920.

The Money Order Service with the Philippine Islands will be resumed on the 1st Jan., 1920.

The parcel post service to Cuba is suspended.

It is notified that all restrictions as to the use of wireless telegraphy by steamships in the China Station have been abolished.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

No unofficial letter addressed to Abadan, Ahwaz or Mohammara in the Persian Gulf may exceed eight ounces in weight.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 8 p.m. on the previous day.

In the case of Mails closing before 9 a.m. Registration closes at 8 o'clock on the previous evening.

INWARD MAILS.

THURSDAY, December 24.

Shanghai—Per SADO MARU.

Japan—Per TENSHO MARU.

FRIDAY, December 25.

Shanghai—Per HUICHOW.

SATURDAY, December 27.

Europe (via Nippon)—Per METEVE.

Straits—Per TOYO MARU.

SUNDAY, December 28.

Japan—Per KAIYO MARU.

MONDAY, December 29.

U.S.A., Canada, and Shanghai—Per MONTAGLE.

Bombay—Per TENSHIN MARU.

TUESDAY, December 30.

Straits—Per SANGOLA.

WEDNESDAY, December 31.

Straits—Per KISHIN MARU.

OUTWARD MAILS.

THURSDAY, December 25.

Macao—Per SUI TAI, 8.30 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per SINKIANG, 10 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—Per NILE, Registration 9.15 a.m. Letter 10.01 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via VANCOUVER, B.O.—Per EMERALD, O.P. RUSSIA, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letter 10.30 a.m.

Macao—Per CHUEN CHOW, 4.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, December 26.

Macao—Per SUI TAI, 8.30 a.m.

Shanghai—Per YUNNAN, 10 a.m.

Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Chennai, Egypt and EUROPE via MEXVILLERES—Per SADO MARU, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letter 10.30 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow—Per QUINCY, 10.11 a.m.

Haiphong and Haiphong—Per TAKSANG, Noon.

Straits, Bangkok and Calcutta—Per ARRATON APAR, Noon.

Macao—Per CHUEN CHOW, 4.30 p.m.

SATURDAY, December 27.

Philippine Islands—Per LOONGSANG, 9 a.m.

Swatow, Shanghai and North China—Per KWONGSANG, 9 a.m.

Sandakan—Per HINSANG, 9 a.m.

Straits and Bangkok—Per FOOSHING, 9 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per YINGCHOW, 9 a.m.

Macao—Per SUI TAI, 1.30 p.m.

Macao—Per CHUEN CHOW, 4.30 p.m.

SUNDAY, December 28.

Macao—Per SUI TAI, 8.30 a.m.

Japan via Moji and Seattle—Per MALAY MARU, 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow via Keelung—Per KAIYO MARU, 9 a.m.

MONDAY, December 29.

Swatow and Bangkok—Per KUEICHOW, 8 a.m.

TUESDAY, December 30.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Moji—Per KAMU MARU, 10 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per HUICHOW, 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per TAMING, 2 p.m.

THURSDAY, January 1.

Shanghai and North China—Per ICHANG, 11 a.m.

FRIDAY, January 2.

Amoy and Foochow—Per HAIOHING, Noon.

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